

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 3019 - HB 3149**

February 12, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Removes certain restrictions on the transporting of rolled hay bales. Current law states that when transporting such items, the width of the trailer carrying the load may not exceed 10 feet in width and that the transportation must occur during daylight hours within 50 miles of the point of origin and that they must not be transported on any part of the national system of interstate defense highways or any fully controlled access highway facility of other federal-aid highways. This bill would delete those restrictions and replace them with language authorizing the transportation, during daylight hours, of up to two bale widths of hay stacked side by side.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

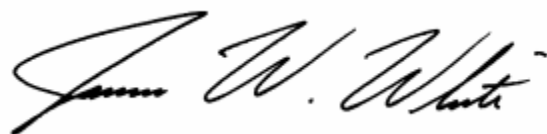
**Other Fiscal Impact - According to the Department of Transportation, because this bill would allow loads exceeding 102 inches to travel on the interstate system it would violate federal regulations. Such a violation would result in federal-aid funds for the National Highway System that are apportioned to Tennessee for the next fiscal year being reduced by an amount equal to 10 percent of the amount which would otherwise be apportioned to the state. According to the department, such decrease would be in the range of \$13,000,000 to \$15,000,000 annually.**

Assumption:

- No change in the number of citations issued for illegally transporting hay.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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